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PART I.

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT.

Report on the Working of the Government Presses.

READ—

Letter No. 600, dated the 20th August 1925, from the Superintendent, Government Printing, submitting the Report on the working of the Government Presses, the *Mysore Gazette* Office and the Office of the Registrar of Authorised Publications for the year 1924-25.

ORDER No. G. 3206-55—P. & S. 24-25-3, DATED 2ND NOVEMBER 1925.

Recorded.

2. *Superintendence and Establishment.*—Mr. B. Puttaiya was Superintendent throughout the year. There were at the close of the year 390 paid employees in the Central Press and 91 in the Branch Press. Of these, 195 were on the fixed scale and the rest on piecework wages.

3. *Plant.*—Additions of the value of Rs. 19,950 were made to the plant during the year. Part of this consisted of 9,750 lbs. of type valued at Rs. 4,895 which was cast and taken to stock in the Central Press. The total value of the plant in the Presses at the beginning of the year was Rs. 3.26 lakhs. With the additions made during the year, the value of the plant at the end of the year after allowing for depreciation was 3.28 lakhs.

4. *Expenditure.*—The total expenditure of the Presses during the year was Rs. 1,39,435 as against Rs. 1,38,189 in 1923-24.

5. *Out-turn of work.*—The total number of pages of matter composed (converted to the standard pica foolscap page) came to 50,553 as against 56,232 in the previous year. The total number of impressions printed was 19,918,482. The

various kinds of books bound numbered 799,352 as against 622,818. The cost of printing 1,000 impressions came to Rs. 1-15-11 as against Rs. 2-6-7 in the previous year. The total number of one hour units of over-time work in the Central Press was 11,539. The press executed works of the value of Rs. 33,969 for the Railway Department and the University. Four books were printed for the Palace and 14 for the Education Department. One of the books printed for the Palace was a work in Telugu being the first book in that language printed in the Government Press.

6. *Mysore Gazette*.—The total receipts on account of the Gazette amounted to Rs. 11,312 as against Rs. 10,395 during the previous year. As the cost of printing the Gazette amounted to Rs. 34,278, the receipts came to about 33 per cent of the expenditure. The number of subscribers fell from 433 to 377, notwithstanding the concession sanctioned by Government of the supply of the Gazette at half the usual rates of subscription to Patels and Shanbhogs. The Superintendent is requested to consider the possibility of effecting economies in expenditure and improving the receipts so as to reduce the loss.

7. *Registration of books*.—The number of books registered during the year was 200 as against 246 in the previous year. Copyright was secured on 77 of the books.

8. *General*.—The Controller of Printing, Stationery and Stamps to the Government of India paid a visit to the Press in October 1924 and made certain suggestions for improving its working. On two of the suggestions, orders have been passed and proposals on some others are under the consideration of Government. Orders were passed during the year directing that Departments whose accounts are made up on commercial principles should pay for the work done for them in the Press and that other Departments should also pay for publications intended for sale and printed in the Government Press.

P. G. D'SOUZA,

Chief Secretary to Government.

Precedence List.

READ—

Government Order No. G. 16600-52—O. M. 514-17-1, dated the 4th June 1918, regarding the recognition in suitable form of the services of the Members of the Representative Assembly of twenty years standing.

2. Letter No. 422, dated the 2nd September 1925, from the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, regarding the grant of Khasa Hara and other privileges to Mr. A. V. Suryanarayana Setty of Arkalgud, on the ground that he has been a Member of the Representative Assembly for a period of twenty years without break.

ORDER NO. G. 3364-412—P. P. 43-25-2, DATED 5TH NOVEMBER 1925.

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore has been pleased to direct that Mr. A. V. Suryanarayana Setty of Arkalgud be included in Class IV in Part II of the Precedence List, and be entitled to Khasa Hara at Durbars.

P. G. D'SOUZA,

Chief Secretary to Government.

REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Administration Report of the Sericultural Department.

READ—

Report on the administration of the Sericultural Department for the year 1924-25, received with letter No. P. 27-25-26, dated the 5th September 1925, from the Director of Agriculture in Mysore.

ORDER NO. I. C. 2997-3056—SERI. 20-25-3, DATED 5TH NOVEMBER 1925.

Recorded.